Encouragement *to* Alcohol Based Industries

1235. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the country has developed a capacity for the manufacture of about 1500 million litres of alcohol in a year, whereas the toal consumption is about 750 million litres only and therefore Government have decide^ to allow export it in raw form;

(b) if so, whether Government have any plan to encourage alcohol based industries to utilize the surplus alcohol; and

(c) what are the norms laid down for allocation of alcohol to alcohol based industries and the names of the authorities which are making such allocation?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS- (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. Additional capacities for alcohol-based chemical industries have been licensed to utilise the sur plus alcohol.

(c) Allocation of alcohol to alcohol-based industries is made by the con cerned State Governments, mostly by Excise/Industries Commissioners/ Department as per the norms laid down by the State Governments. Inter-State allocations from surplus States to deficit States are made by the Central Government,

Death of a Patient at AIIMS

1236. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item which appeared in the "Indian Express' (New Delhi) dated 14-12-1990 captioned 'Drug that induced neve: ending sleep' according to which a patient, Shri V. K. Dutta had adverse reaction to anaesthesia given to him on 6. 12. li»0 in AIIMS, which resulted in lus death;

(b) if so, what are the details of the incident and the number of such cases reported during the last two years;

(c) whether Government propose to hold any enquiry to find out the quality of drugs supplied in order to eliminate sub-standard drugs from AIIMS; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. SHAKEELUR REHMAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the incident are given in statement. No such incident were reported by AIIMS during the lest 2 years. However j the complica tions were noticed in 2 more cases but they were not final. (See below)

(c) and (d) An enquiry has already been initiated by AIIMS to go into the details of! the matter and the report of the enquiry is awaited.

Statement

Details of Cases

One Mr. V. K Dutta, 3© years Male was brought to AIIMS Casualty on 6. 12. 90 at about 11. 45. He was a case of fracture of the Potella following a fall before 25 hours. The patient was unable to walk and he was taken up for emergency surgery in the evening around 7. 20 P. M. on 6. 12. 90. Dr. Akshey Mehra, Sr. Resident under the supervision of Dr- S. Bhan was to perform the surgery.

The patient had a displaced fracture and a tension band wiring was done under spinal anaesthesia using sensoricain (0. 5 per cent) Heavy.